

CORNELIJSSEN et al
Appl. No. 10/050,043

REMARKS/ARGUMENTS

Favorable reexamination of the captioned application is respectfully requested.

A. OVERVIEW OF AMENDMENT AND REMARKS

By the current amendment, Applicants basically:

1. Thank the Examiner for allowance of claims 13 – 20.
2. Cancel claims 8 – 12 without prejudice or disclaimer.
3. Amend claims 1, 3, 4, and 6 for, e.g., mooting the rejections under 35 USC §112, second paragraph, and for rendering independent claims 1 and 6 consistent with the reasons for allowance articulated on page 2 of the Final Rejection.
4. Respectfully traverse all prior art rejections.

B. PATENTABILITY OF THE CLAIMS

Claims 1-6 stand rejected under 35 USC 102(e) as being anticipated by U.S. Patent 6,363,065 to Thornton et al. All prior art rejections are respectfully traversed.

Applicants have amended independent claims 1 and 6 and earnestly entreat the Examiner to compare independent claims 1 and 6 to the reasons for allowance articulated on page 4 of the Final Rejection. Applicants submit that all material substance of the reasons for allowance are included in independent claims 1 and 6 as amended, and accordingly that independent claims 1 and 6 are now allowable.

C. MISCELLANEOUS

The Commissioner is authorized to charge the undersigned's deposit account #14-1140 in whatever amount is necessary for entry of these papers and the continued pendency of the captioned application.

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Should the Examiner feel that an interview with the undersigned would facilitate allowance of this application, the Examiner is encouraged to contact the undersigned.

Respectfully submitted,

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